

## FIFTEEN PEOPLE KILLED IN TORNADO.

Twin Cities Are Swept by Worst  
Wind Storm in Their  
History.

PROPERTY LOSS IS IMMENSE.

Miraculous Escape of Fort Snelling—  
Storm Center Followed River  
Course.

St. Paul, Aug. 21.—Fifteen people were killed in the tornado, and the aggregate property loss is estimated at \$2,000,000. Of this amount St. Paul suffered to the extent of about \$1,000,000. Minneapolis damage is estimated at \$1,000,000, while in the outside districts it is feared that \$500,000 will not cover the damage to crops and farm property.

**FORT SNELLING ESCAPED.**  
Fort Snelling, situated on a level plateau and unprotected from the fury of the storm, the government military buildings miraculously escaped severe injury.

The storm center seemed to follow the river course, only the edge passing over the northwest end of the reservation. Trees were uprooted, branches torn away and hurled against wires, crashing them to the ground.

The state of the south roof of the Thirteenth battery quarters was torn from its fastenings and distributed in a large area. Portions of the roofs of the quarters of the Tenth battery and the gun shed were also ripped loose, exposing the upper floors to the fury of the current of rain that poured down incessantly for half an hour.

Small patches of slate from the roofs of many other quarters were also torn away, but in the aggregate the damage was done. The principal inconvenience caused by the storm was the derangement of the telephone and electric lighting systems. The great force of the wind carried down poles and wires, disturbing connections and putting out the lights throughout the buildings.

**FIRST EVIDENCE OF STORM.**

Beginning at a point below Fort Snelling there is the first known evidence that the storm struck with damaging effect. It came from the southwest, and howling in fury, uprooted trees and demolished buildings in its pathway toward St. Paul. It tore off two spans of the high bridge completely. There the bridge connected with the high bluffs at West St. Paul, and it is 150 feet above the river.

This mass of steel was carried to the slats below, where flying steel girders and heavy planks fell on several small farmhouses and crushed them. None of the occupants of these houses were hurt, they having seen the storm coming and taken refuge in the caves in the hillsides.

**STORM ON A TEAR.**

The storm tore along the flats, uprooting trees on Harriet island, and with a deafening roar and the splash and falling steel it struck this city. Here was located at the bridge entrance on opposite sides of Wabash street the Tivoli concert hall and Empire theater, both of which were fairly crowded with men watching the performance.

Both buildings stood on the edge of the bluff overlooking the river, with sides of the buildings open, and were wrecked. The full force of the tornado struck them. The buildings began to sway and rock and the audience became panic-stricken. Men and boys rushed over each other for the exits. The lights went out and the sheet lightning flashes, one following another with great rapidity, illumined a scene of pandemonium which was intensified by the crash of glass and the tearing of timbers as the frame structure gave way before the tornado.

Sections of the roof were blown through the air and landed east in Third street, a block distant.

Under the Tivoli were found the mangled bodies of Loren P. Hokinson, one of the employees in the concert hall, and George Kwenton, one of the audience.

**WINDOWS AND ROOFS WRECKED.**

On the storm rushed to the northeast over the wholesale district, and every building facing the south from Wabash street for blocks east on Third street had scarcely a whole pane of glass in any window, while many on the opposite side were also broken. Roofs on several buildings were rolled into bundles and dropped into the street, flying plates mingled with the rain, battered everything which stood before it, and horses and carriages were swept along the streets, which, in an incredibly short space of time were filled with water.

Wires were torn and part of the city was in darkness. The high buildings reaching skyward above the smaller ones on East Third street were shaken to their foundations. The fine large plate glass windows were blown in and in several buildings skylights were blown out.

**IN THE PATH OF THE WIND.**

In the path of the wind stood the large freighthouse of the Omaha railroad, and the small section at the end, about 30 feet, standing at the extreme east side, was blown away.

Telephone service between the twin cities was cut off for three hours, while telegraph communication was cut off entirely, except through the medium of the Associated Press.

Across Wabash street, the Empire theater, a two-story brick house of

on head by falling arc lamp and knocked unconscious.

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the same character as the Tivoli, was unroofed and otherwise badly damaged. Nearly all of the business blocks on Third street, a distance of five blocks, were damaged. Roofs were blown off and plate-glass windows shattered.

The Minnesota club, at the corner of Fourth and Cedar streets, was damaged, while the Globe office building, a 10-story structure, just across the street, escaped with but little injury.

The Pioneer Press building, a 13-story brick and steel structure at the corner of Fourth and Roberts streets, was literally riddled by the rain and flying debris. Nearly every window on the south side was shattered, part of the cornice was damaged and a huge skylight above the court was dashed to pieces, the glass falling like hail in the corridors beneath.

There was a stampede among the printers at work in the composing-room on the twelfth floor, many of them being cut by flying pieces of glass.

**RETREAT OF TELEGRAPHERS.**  
The Western Union telegraph office on the eleventh floor of the building was flooded by the sheets of rain that came in through the broken windows, and the operating forces were compelled to make a hasty retreat.

The houses on Fourth street suffered extensive damage. The wholesale dry goods house of Finch, Young & McConville was unroofed, and the windows blown in. The stock exchange, G. Somers & Co., wholesale notions, suffered a loss to their stock of about 10 per cent, and the building also was damaged. Lindeke, Warner & Sons, the Lumber company, and Schaefer & Rossmann, wholesale firms, also suffered considerably.

The Davidson building, at the corner of Fourth and Jackson, was unroofed, the entire roof being picked up and blown on top of an adjoining building. A stock of fur stored in the Davidson building suffered damage.

**SHADE TREES LEVELED.**  
The storm then swooped across St. Louis park, leveling all shade trees and struck the five-story brick building of Noyes Brothers & Cutler, wholesale druggists, doing damage to the roof and carrying away part of the upper story.

Noyes & Deane, the Goodyear Rubber company, Clement, Granger & Co., Ogden, Merrill & Greer, and C. Gotsman & Co., wholesale grocers, were also damaged.

The Habighorst building at Seventh and Wabash streets, occupied by the Economy department store, was unroofed and the entire roof fell on the street. The Rev. Schmier Wagon company on Rosabel street, was badly damaged, the entire top story being blown away.

The Union Trust building, a brick structure in the same vicinity, was wrecked about half of the building going down. The Washington school at Eighth and Eighth streets, suffered considerable damage, almost the entire top portion being blown away. St. Mary's Catholic church on Ninth street was unroofed, but the school building across the street escaped with only minor damage.

**CHURCH SWEEPED AWAY.**

St. Sigurd's Episcopal church, a frame structure, was leveled to the ground. The structure at this point seems to have lifted slightly, and for several squares the damage done to residence property was of a minor character only. The tornado dropped again at Lafayette park, corner of Tenth and Lafayette avenue, and all of the magnificent elm and other shade trees were uprooted or twisted off.

From Lafayette park the tornado swept on Lafayette avenue to Payne avenue, the principal business street of East St. Paul, wrecking many business structures and unroofing and otherwise damaging residence property. The Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Paul & Omaha railroad roundhouse at East St. Paul collapsed and injured one man, and doing serious damage to a number of automobiles.

Several freight cars in the yards were picked up and tossed about by the fierce gale and their contents strewn in all directions. The tower and roof of the fire station at Payne avenue and West York street were blown off, striking a man as they fell and inflicting probably fatal injuries. The Arlington hill Presbyterian church, corner of Case and Edgerton streets, was unroofed and partially wrecked.

The large dormitory of the House of the Good Shepherd, a two-story frame building adjacent to the institution, collapsed during the storm, burying 30 children in the ruins. One child was killed and a score of others were more or less seriously hurt. The destruction of the building caused a panic among the several hundreds inmates of the place.

Inmates of the building and men who had gathered at the scene were pressed into work, and after three hours of hard work all who were in the dormitory were struck by lightning, which rent the roof, and soon a gust of wind carried the entire roof away, part of it falling into the building. Then the top floor caved in and carried the first floor and the 30 children to the basement.

**DEAD.**

Loren P. Hokinson, 358 Brunson street, killed at Tivoli theater; body taken to city morgue.

George K. Wenton, carpenter, 373 Toronto avenue, killed at Tivoli theater; body removed to city morgue.

Viola Roberts, age 12, killed by falling glass at House of Good Shepherd.

Albert Ode, aged 35, at St. Louis park.

Six-year-old son of Frank Hedges, at St. Louis park.

Unknown girl, aged about 10.

Four unknown dead at Wabasha, a small station 20 miles west of Minneapolis.

Richard Hill, operator at Minneapolis Junction, killed by lightning.

Unknown woman.

Mary O'Donnell, aged 13, Glencoe, Minn.

Seventeen-year-old son of Patrick O'Donnell, Glencoe, Minn.

Frederick Gross, Glencoe, Minn.

Mrs. Gross, mother of Frederick Gross, Glencoe.

**MISSING.**

Edward Gier, 438 South Robert street, was one of the last persons seen in the Tivoli theater during the calamity.

**INJURED.**

William Tunghy, skull fractured, fatally injured.

Glad Hanson, 936 Forest street, hit

on head by falling arc lamp and knocked unconscious.

Theodore Schwitzer, 544 Wabasha street, blown from his delivery wagon on the Lafayette avenue bridge, seriously injured.

James Deubert, Omaha brakeman, blown from top of freight car in East St. Paul yards, severely bruised.

Mrs. Robert Younger, caught in collapsed house at 412 Lafayette avenue, injured internally, may be fatally.

Charles Strong, machinist, caught in collapse of the East St. Paul roundhouse of Omaha, badly bruised.

George Claure, 338 South Wabash street, bruised about arms and body; not serious.

George Leclair, 338 South Wabash street, bruised about arms and body; not serious.

Theresa Kempf, actress, Tivoli theater; badly cut on arm and body bruised by falling timbers.

Salto Kenny, actress, Tivoli theater; arm cut and head bruised.

David Berlin, stage hand, Tivoli theater; arm seriously cut.

Slater Athu of Good Shepherd, name unknown, injured internally and body badly cut and bruised, condition critical.

Unknown child, House of Good Shepherd, burned beneath debris; may die.

John Lindlund, actress, Tivoli theater, fell down stairs and was injured by falling door; hip and body bruised and cut.

Warren Whitney, piano player, Tivoli theater, badly cut about body and bruised; rendered unconscious.

J. Weinholzer, 567 Wabash avenue, injured in wreckage at Tivoli theater, hip bruised and burned by live electric wire.

Kittie Ransom, actress, Tivoli theater, fell unconscious when crash came and was removed by the police; will recover.

F. E. Fork, shocked by live wire and burned.

John Hammond, Fort Snelling, injured about head and body at Tivoli theater.

Peter Smith, bartender at Tivoli theater, shoulder dislocated and bruised about body and nose.

John Lindlund, nose broken and wounded on head.

Paul Reynolds, hands badly cut by falling glass.

Michael Egan, proprietor of popcorn stand at Fifth and Sibley streets, head and face cut by broken glass.

John Hayden, 401 East Lucy street, head cut and side bruised.

John Hayden, East Lucy street, limbs and body bruised on street.

Annie Scott, actress, Tivoli theater, cut and bruised about head and shoulders.

A unknown boy, rendered unconscious by live wire at Rice and Como streets.

John Dugan, telegraph operator, head cut by falling glass.

Joseph Hansen, Cook street, struck by electric light pole; not serious.

**LOSS AT MINNEAPOLIS.**

Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 21.—The center of the storm hit the business section at Nicollet avenue four o'clock.

Here the front of the glass block was blown out and a huge skylight was blown off. All of the stores in this district had windows blown in and all suffered more or less damage to stock.

The mammoth skylight of the Guaranty Loan building fell twelve stories through the interior court, and great damage was done by water to offices.

The street car service was tied up until noon today, trolley wires being down in all parts of the city as the result of falling trees.

## ANARCHY REIGNS IN CRIPPLE CREEK.

A Mob of Two Thousand Men  
Seize and Deport Sixteen  
Citizens.

EVERY OFFICER WAS DISARMED.

Men Who Had Sought Protection from  
Officers Were Taken from  
Them.

Cripple Creek, Colo., Aug. 20.—Between 3 and 4 o'clock this afternoon 2,000 citizens of the city of Cripple Creek arrested S. J. Hanges, Atty. Eugene Ely, Atty. A. C. Cole together with Mr. Hall, manager of the Union store, and 12 others.

The crowd was divided into three squads, one taking their prisoners to Barnard creek, about three miles from here, where they were told to leave the district and not return; the other two squads taking their prisoners toward Canyon City, where they were treated in a like manner.

The greatest excitement prevails in the district, and the citizens are declaring that none of the deportees will be allowed to return.

The men were deported by miners who came off the city shift. By a preconcerted move the men met on Bennett avenue, and without saying a word marched in a body to the Intermountain Mercantile company store, the headquarters of the Western Federation of Miners' co-operative store. Every employee of it was taken in charge. The police officers were helpless before the thousands of miners, who do not seem to be through the city picking up others who are alleged to be keeping up agitation or to be acting as secret agents of the federation.

A concerted move was made upon the sheriff's office and every officer who appeared upon the scene was overpowered and disarmed. Men who were wanted taken from officers to whom they had been taken for protection. Under-Sheriffs Parsons and Underwood were held prisoners until the disturbance was over. Men were taken prisoners by the crowd and deported to the colonies beyond the city limits with orders never to return on penalty of death.

The men expelled from the camp are: Eugene Ely, a former attorney of the federation and formerly attorney general of the state; J. C. Cole, formerly assistant deputy district attorney; F. J. Hanges, an attorney for the federation; A. L. Pierce, J. W. Higgins, and Gustav H. M. Heimelberger, James Reed and Pat Maloney, who are all accused of being agitators; Fred Alken of Victor; T. H. Parfet, one of the managers of the store, and O'Neill, two blacksmiths in the union store, and a man whose name is not given.

Under guard of 2,000 men they were escorted to a point on the old Canon City stage road, three miles from the city. The spokesman stepped forward and said: "You men are not wanted in this camp, you are not going to be kept here. You do not seem to be happy unless you can stir up trouble. We have had enough. You are going on and you are not coming back. If you do there will be either a bullet or rope for every one of you. Now, get up, but as the men started down the road a yell went up and the crowd rushed in threats and jeers. J. W. Higgins suddenly wheeled upon the crowd and pulled a gun. He was promptly struck over the head with a gun by one of the crowd and his own gun taken from him and thrown away. His head was cut and the wounds bled profusely, but he walked on with the others.

Returning to the city a party of the crowd started an attack upon the union store. Officers at first repulsed the attack, but they were overpowered and about 20 men entered and completely wrecked the stock. The stock cost about \$3,000.

The immediate cause of today's outbreak was the starting up of the union store under the name of the Intermountain Mercantile company and the report that a number of deported union men were on their way back to Cripple Creek from Denver.

Sheriff Bell returned late tonight with a number of deputies, all heavily armed, and is at the county jail tonight ready to resist an expected attack on the jail to get the prisoners incarcerated there for alleged complicity in the Victor riot of June 6.

After the deportation delegations waited on Ellis Rosenberg, H. H. Iland, Dr. E. A. Hassenpflug, Henrie Bunte and E. H. O'Donnell, who had signed a bond for federation men under rest, and notified them that further aid and encouragement to the union would place them under the ban, they at once declared they would withdraw from the bonds.

**"THE FIVE SKELETONS."**  
Threatened Death to an Italian of Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 22.—Antonio Sbarbaro, a well-to-do Italian and a leader among the members of his nationality on the north side, has asked the police to run down the man who threatened his life. Sbarbaro was threatened with death in default of payment of \$10,000 to an organization called "The Five Skeletons."

Sbarbaro was a patient at a hospital when the letter was delivered at his address and did not receive it until his return home.

The letter, dated Sunday, Aug. 14, at 2:30 o'clock in the morning at the time and the prairie at Chicago and Western avenues as the place for the payment of the money. Sbarbaro's indignation prevented him from complying with the demand or taking any steps toward ferreting out the writer until now. Sbarbaro says the letter was dated Aug. 12 and besides stating the threat and demand reminded the recipient that many of his countrymen recently had met deaths by violence and declared that their fate was the result of failure to comply with the demands of the "Five Skeletons."

**They Were Drowned Together.**  
Bellingham, Wash., Aug. 21.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of William McKenzie, who was last seen two weeks ago in company with Miss Kate East, was cleared away today by the recovery of both bodies floating in the water of Lake Whatcom.

**Decreased Fair Attendance.**  
St. Louis, Aug. 21.—The attendance at the world's fair for the past week almost equals that of the week previous, although the past week was not marked with so many attractions. The total number of admissions for the past week amounted to 641,283, and the total for the week previous was 666,897. Since the opening day, April 31, 7,566,787 admissions have been recorded.

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